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Sir:

It was discovered during a review of the file history in connection with a Notice of Allowance mailed October 19, 2006 that a reference in the IDS originally filed with the application has not been considered. Specifically, U.S. Pat. No. 5,995,971 to Douceur et al. listed on the PTO Form 1449 was not considered, although four other listed references were. The undersigned respectfully requests consideration of the Douceur patent.

Respectfully submitted,

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